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Dear Beverly,

Finnish Patent Application No. 88 5371
Your Ref: PM-1268
Our File: 29957

I enclose a translation of a further official action issued in this case. A response is due by 14th July 1991.

The Examiner cites three U.S. patents which were already cited in the information disclosure in the U.S. application, for which reason I am not enclosing copies. Also cited are three German specifications and one Luxembourg. DE 2 043 537 is the equivalent of Roselius US 4 153 063 cited in a number of countries and is therefore also not enclosed. Copies of the three remaining references are enclosed in full and I will attach details of any English language equivalents that I can identify.

The objection is in fairly basic form one reason for the objection, however, may be that the independent claims are not divided into a prior art introduction and a characterising part. This should be done when preparing the response.

This case is related to PM 1267, responsibility for which has recently been taken over by Ronald Krasnow at Fish & Neave. I am therefore sending a copy of this letter for his attention together with the enclosures. I look forward to receiving comments and instructions in due course.

Yours sincerely,

J. H. Bass

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